

In the Claims

Kindly amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (previously presented) A process for the preparation of crystalline Carvedilol Form-II using novel salts of Carvedilol, comprising the steps of:

reacting 4-(2,3-epoxy propoxy) carbazole with 2-(2-methoxy phenoxy) ethyl amine in the molar ratio of 1:2.0 to 1:2.5 in an organic solvent selected from monochlorobenzene, ethylene glycol dimethyl ether (monoglyme) and mixtures thereof,

adjusting the pH after completion of the reaction with at least one organic acid in the presence of water and at least one organic solvent and isolating the produced novel Carvedilol salts,

treating the Carvedilol salts with at least one base in the presence of water and methylene chloride followed by separation of organic aqueous layers, and

drying the organic layer followed by removal of the at least one organic solvent and crystallization of the residue in ethyl acetate.

2. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one organic acid is selected from oxalic acid and salicylic acid.

3. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pH is adjusted to 2.0 to about 3.0.

4. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one organic solvent used during pH adjustment is selected from isopropyl acetate, chlorobenzene and mixtures thereof.

5. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one base is selected from alkali, alkaline metal hydroxides, ammonia, and organic bases.

6. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1 wherein the at least one base is aq. ammonia.

7. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the novel Carvedilol salts are carvedilol oxalate and carvedilol salicylate.

8. (withdrawn) A process for the preparation of Carvedilol salts, comprising the steps of:

reacting 4-(2,3-epoxy propoxy) carbazole with 2-(2-methoxy phenoxy) ethylamine in the molar ratio of 1:2.0 to 1:2.5 in presence of at least one organic solvent;

adjusting the pH after completion of the reaction with at least one organic acid in the presence of water and at least one organic solvent and isolating the produced Carvedilol salts.

9. (withdrawn) A process as claimed in claim 8, wherein the at least one organic acid is selected from oxalic acid and salicylic acid.

10. (withdrawn) A process as claimed in claim 8, wherein the pH is adjusted to 2.0 to about 3.0.

11. (withdrawn) A process as claimed in claim 8, wherein the at least one organic solvent used during pH adjustment is selected from isopropyl acetate, chlorobenzene and mixtures thereof.

12. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 3, wherein the pH is adjusted to 2.5 to about 2.8.

13. (withdrawn) A process as claimed in claim 10, wherein the pH is adjusted to 2.5 to about 2.8.

14. (previously presented) A process as claimed in claim 5 wherein the at least one base is aq. ammonia.